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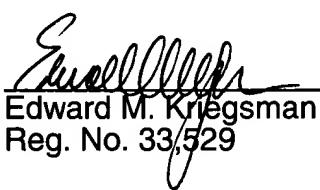
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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action dated December 20, 2004, please amend the above-identified patent application as indicated below.

There are no **Amendments to the Specification** in this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the **Listing of Claims** which begins on page 2 of this paper.

There are no **Amendments to the Drawings** in this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.